

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Dratz *et al.*

Application Serial No. : 10/761,818

Examiner: N. Grazier

Filed: January 20, 2004

Art Unit: 1626

For: NOVEL ZWITTERIONIC DYES FOR LABELING IN PROTEOMIC AND OTHER BIOLOGICAL ANALYSES

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22311

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.1.42

Sir:

Applicants are responding to the restriction requirement mailed on October 17, 2006 in connection with the captioned Application. Accompanying this response to the restriction requirement is a Petition for Extension of Time, containing a provision for payment of the appropriate fee, extending the period for response by four months, to and including March 17, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.